

# Jessica Jonas, M.S., LCGC

## CREDENTIALS AND EDUCATION

<u>Licensed Genetic Counselor</u>	2009
Massachusetts Board of Registration of Genetic Counselors	
<u>Certified Genetic Counselor</u>	2005
American Board of Genetic Counseling	
<u>Master of Science, Genetic Counseling</u>	2002
Brandeis University; Waltham, MA	
<u>Bachelor of Science, Physical Therapy</u>	1996
University of Vermont; Burlington, VT	

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

<u>Director of Clinical Education</u>	February 2019-present
Institute of Health Professions: Boston, MA	

Coordinate student clinical and non-clinical fieldwork experiences, instruct Fieldwork I/II courses; design supervisor CEU training opportunities; assist with development of standardized patient experiences; assist with development and review of the genetic counseling curriculum; serve as an advisor on select Capstone research projects; participate in scholarly and professional activities at a national level; assist Program Director and Associate Program Director on program development, accreditation, student recruitment, and admissions process/interviews.

<u>Prenatal Genetics Counselor</u>	Sept 2011-January 2019
Tufts Medical Center; Boston, MA.	

provided risk assessment, psychosocial assessment and support, education, documentation, and patient referral for prenatal patients.

<u>Prenatal Genetics Counselor</u>	April 2012- April 2013
Newton Wellesley Hospital: Newton, MA.	

Provided risk assessment, psychosocial assessment and support, education, documentation, and patient referral for prenatal patients on a per diem basis.

<u>Research Study Coordinator, Genetic and Phenotypic Factors in Autism Study</u>	Aug 2009-Jan 2010
Lurie Family Autism Center, Autism Consortium; Lexington, MA.	

recruited potential study participants, communicated study information to potential participants and physicians, educated and obtained informed consent from interested participants, collected and maintained patient records, administered health information questionnaires to consented patients, collected and maintained data from questionnaires, answered study-related questions from patients and physicians, maintained information regarding interested study participants and subjects who decline to participate using specialized software, helped develop revision of study advertisements as well as educational materials for patients, physicians, and community members.

<u>General Genetics Counselor</u>	2003- Feb 2008
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Tufts-New England Medical Center; Boston, MA.

Provided risk assessment, psychosocial assessment and support, education, documentation, and patient referral for prenatal, pre-conception, pediatric, adult, and cancer patients. Supervised four genetic counseling students.

## PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

**Invited Presentation**, “Dysmorphology 101.” Tufts Medical School Genetics Course.  
Tufts Medical Center, Boston, MA, August 2017

**Jonas, J.**, Remembering and Listening.  
Journal of Genetic Counseling, Online First, 6 February 2012

**Invited Presentation**, “Prenatal Testing and Huntington’s Disease.” Genetics Grand Rounds.  
Tufts Medical Center, Boston, MA April 2012

**Invited Presentation**, “Genetic Counseling and Autism.” Grand Rounds.  
Lurie Family Autism Center, Lexington, MA April 2010

**Invited Presentation**, “Ambiguous Genitalia: Beyond Pink and Blue.”  
Brandeis University, Waltham, MA April 2007

**Invited Presentation**, “Ocular Albinism.”  
Perkins School for the Blind, Watertown, MA 2007

**Jonas, J.**, Demmer, L., Genetic Syndromes Determined by Alterations in Genomic Imprinting Pathways.  
NeoReviews, Vol. 8 No. 3 March 2007JJonas.

**Invited Presentation**, “X-Linked Mental Retardation: A Testing Strategy.” Invited presentation, Genetic Grand Rounds.  
Tufts-New England Medical Center, Boston, MA Fall 2006

**Invited Speaker**, “Preconception and Prenatal Genetic Screening Based on Ethnicity.” Invited Speaker.  
Assisted Reproductive Technology Nursing Conference. Cape Cod, MA, spring 2004

**Jonas, J.**, Asch, A., McIntosh, N., Susswein, L., “Assessment of Genetic Counselors’ Attitudes Towards Disability.” Poster.  
NSGC AEC 2003; Charlotte, NC.

**Jonas, J.**, “A Translocation Case Study.”  
Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA, Oct 2002JJonas.

**Invited Moderator**. Mini-Film Fest: Genetic Disabilities.  
Brandeis University, Waltham, MA, January 2002

## OTHER

### Termination Support Group Founder and Facilitator

planned, developed, and will serve as a co-facilitator of a support group for couples/individuals who have terminated pregnancies due to fetal anomalies (slated for autumn of 2018)

### Documentary showing organizer

Organized two showings of the documentary “Embrace,” and held post-film discussion on body image issues faced by women

### Our Whole Lives Instructor

Taught sexuality education class for adolescents, 2007/2008

